

QI Workgroup Meeting
February 15, 2008 10a.m.-12n
Location: BREMSS

In members attendance: Robin Moore, Crystal Fountain, Spencer Howard,
Dr. John Campbell, Alex Franklin, Mike Daughtry, Verla Thomas,
Choona Lang, Dr William Crawford, Joe Acker
Public Guest: Ben Patterson

A. Welcome

Choona Lang opened meeting with a welcome.

B. Recap from January meeting

Choona gave recap from January meeting:

1. Under Triage data elements
2. Joe distributed a copy of the lifetrac software reports for review (see attached)
3. Alex listed concerns in North.

B. Trauma Project Timeline. (See attached)

Choona presented a timeline of QI project and deadlines. In addition Dr. Campbell identified the need to category our trauma QI plan into three main divisions as listed below:

1. System
2. Hospital
3. Pre hospital
 - A. air ambulance
 - B. ground transport

C. Draft of QI Flow chart. (See attached)

Alex/Spencer presented a draft of a QI flow chart (Alabama Trauma System Quality Assurance and Improvement Program)

In the flow chart was listed:

1. Intent
2. Policy
3. Structure of QA&I Committee
4. Duties of QA&I Committee
5. Terminology/definitions
6. Mechanisms on how the QA is done
7. An example of a case review

Spencer will send a working draft electronic flowchart for workgroup members to add comments and changes via e-mail. Spencer will compile the recommendations and revise the flowchart as needed before our next scheduled meeting.

D. QI under triage data element discussion.

Mike Daughtry gave a brief overview of the QI under triage data element as listed in the attachment entitled Potential QA Measures-Alabama ePCR printout. Mike will continue to work on the under triage data element with plans to give additional information at our next QI meeting. In addition Mike Daughtry, Joe Acker and Michael will discuss the current process used to capture under triage data in the BREMSS system and discuss/compare the system capabilities to capture more specific trauma patient protocol information.

Mike will also review the lifetrac report packet and make recommendations to the QI workgroup for reports selections to be used statewide.

The committee identified a confidentiality question related to sharing QI data with the regional QI workgroup members for research with legal. This issue be discussed in detailed at the next meeting.

E. Other data element discussion

Verla gave a brief overview of other state's QI Plan. She will have more information at the next meeting. Verla identified that according to the research at this point we are currently on track with the ideals we have discussed and are planning to implement.

Verla is expecting to receive additional Trauma system QI information from Ohio that she will share with the group at our next meeting.

F. Next Meeting schedule for March 21, 2008 10a.m.-12n at BREMSS.